



Weekly Newsletter

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A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today.
God's richest blessings to you all.

SERVICES TODAY

5.00pm Barwon Heads
Contemporary Service

9.00am Newington
Combined Service at Ocean Grove

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park
The Reverend Sharon Hollis

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

9.00am Newington
Mrs. Michelle Hardy

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park
and Eddie Manion

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 9) Amos 8: 1-12, Psalm 52
Colossians 1: 15-28, Luke 10: 38-42

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 10) Hosea 1: 2-10, Psalm 85
Colossians 2: 6-15 (16-19), Luke 11: 1-13

KEY VERSE

"I will praise you for ever for what you have done..."
Psalm 52: 9

BARWON HEADS NEWS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email oguc@tpg.com.au or phone 5256 2477 and leave a message.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like prayer through the week, to activate the prayer chain, please contact Fay on 5254 1763 or 0447 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

UNITING CHURCH LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP is in recess for the school holidays. Marilyn will be speaking at our next get together, which is on July the 20th.

NOLA MARSH is doing well at Seaviews manor. She is enjoying the activities there, especially Bingo, and is exercising regularly with her walker. She says "Hello" to all her friends at Barwon Heads and hopes to join the Ladies group soon.

**All welcome to morning tea
in the church hall after the service.**

Parish Executive
Meeting
Tuesday July 26th
4.00pm
Ocean Grove Church
Foyer

Ocean Grove
Fundraising Committee
Meeting
Thursday
August 18th
10.00am

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING QUEENSLIFF UNITING CHURCH THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 3.00—6.00PM

The Uniting Church affirms that all people are made in the image of God and commits itself to the care, protection and safety of all people with whom it comes in contact. As a community of faith, we are committed to providing a safe environment for both children and adults to encounter God, to develop relationships as part of a community and to grow in faith.

To register go to
<https://ucavt.goregister.com.au/safechurchtraining2016/registration/Queenscliff>

You must register if attending.

INVITATION TO A SPECIAL SERVICE OF WORSHIP

The Ocean Grove Uniting Church cordially invites you all to join us on **Sunday July the 24th**, the renowned saxophonist Eddie Manion (who has played with Bruce Springsteen) will be performing. Eddie will be in Ocean Grove for a "Light of Day" benefit. The mission of Light of Day is to utilize the power of music to raise money and awareness in the continuing battle to defeat Parkinson's Disease. During the service Eddie will present to the Ocean Grove Community a goodwill letter of proclamation from the Mayor of the Municipality of Neptune that includes the township of Ocean Grove New Jersey.

Ocean Grove is home to Australia's only "Light of Day" shows!

JAM JARS

Please note that at this stage Helen Baum is not needing any more jars. She has enough for the time being to last her until more fruit becomes available. If you have been saving jars then you may like to call Margaret Parry on 5254 3208 and she if she would like them.

Special Prayer requests from
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

1. For the Parish Mission team that will meet on the second Wednesday of each month.
2. For Yoo Mi as she continues on her journey towards selection for candidacy.
3. For the three Congregations, although who are different in many ways are all important to the life of the Ocean Grove Uniting Parish.

ACT FOR PEACE RATION CHALLENGE

Thank you to all the generous people who helped me to reach the total of \$2570 for AFP Refugee Support. Thanks to Lyn Mulligan for hosting the "Coffee, Cake and Cards morning last weekend. It was a lovely experience, with a great morning tea. An attractive selection of cards and magnets by Eril Deighton were for sale at bargain prices and were soon purchased. Eril is a photographic artist and a member of the Camberwell UCA which is very involved in supporting refugees. Eril kindly donated the money raised from the sale of her beautiful creations for the ration Challenge which boosted our total greatly. Thanks to the people who supported this event and to those who also kindly made donations and helped on the day. At this time the AFP Ration Challenge has raised over \$2,025,447 (enough to provide food for 7,260 refugees for a year.) let us pray that conditions in our world will improve and the horrors which force people to flee their homes to seek safety in unknown places will end. I am very humbled by the support which I have received.

Thank you all. Joan Calcutt.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For June and July we will be supporting the Share Winter Appeal 1st—30th June. If you have been warm at night, been able to eat hot meals whenever you like, then maybe you would like to think about those people who are sleeping on the streets, struggling to make ends meet, and wondering that if they turn the heater on will they be able to pay for it. Please consider donating even your small change each week to the Share Winter Appeal as little coins can grow into big dollars!!!

PRAYER CONTACT: If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) please contact Helen Baum on 5255 1487

FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT Drop in for a tea/coffee, biscuit or two, a chat and always a good laugh. Stay for 5 minutes or an hour if you like. All are welcome.

LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY: It's Winter and it's cold and dark—please help us to keep our pantry shelves full with nourishing food. With continuing thanks: Loaves and Fishes Pantry team.

THANK YOU: “A big thank you to the people who visited Derek in hospital and at home and for their prayers, phone calls etc.

ALL VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

We are indeed blessed to have such a caring and supportive Church Family. Derek and Joan Humphrey.

Can you work out who the article is about on the noticeboard in the hall entranceway? Here is a clue they are Dutch and live at 140 Powell Street East Ocean Grove.

SPECIAL SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY: If it is at all possible a small plate of morning tea would be appreciated.

A BIG THANK YOU to the our church family. One year ago Cathie Bond from Queenscliff Rural Australian Refugees spoke to us of her plans to start a “Welcome Place” at the Wesley Centre in Geelong. Here asylum seekers and refugees now meet with volunteers for conversation, advice, games, art classes and a meal on Friday nights. Most appreciated by those who attend is the fellowship. This centre has been supported by our JIM Group mainly through supplying furnishing and donations. All members of our Congregation are warmly invited to attend the exhibition at the “Welcome Place” on Friday July 29th, Saturday the 30th and Sunday the 31st.

UCAF MEETING: On Monday July the 25th the Reverend Jenny Hayes will be our guest speaker. All welcome to come and hear this most interesting speaker.